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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION'S LUTTICH NAMED TO TWO NATIONAL MANUFACTURED HOUSING POSTS

LINCOLN – The director of the Nebraska Public Service Commission's Department of Housing and Recreational Vehicles has been named to two national posts as part of his responsibilities with manufactured housing.

Mark Luttich, who has worked in the housing regulatory arm of Nebraska state government for 26 years, was elected co-chair of the Council of State Administrative Agencies (COSAA) this spring. He also was appointed chair of the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee of the National Fire Protection Association. Both organizations work with the federal Department of Housing and Urban Affairs (HUD) on regulatory matters.

"Mark's appointment and election to these two positions is a great testimonial to the high quality of staff that serves Nebraskans through the Public Service Commission," PSC Chairman Jerry Vap of McCook said. "This recognizes the leadership that Mark exerts within the manufactured housing industry as well as within the regulatory community."

As co-chair of COSAA, Luttich will serve with incumbent co-chair Curtis McIver of Virginia. A native of Geneva, Luttich replaces Eric Borg of Arizona. COSAA serves as a liaison between its 36-member states and HUD on manufactured housing regulation.

The National Fire Protection Association's Consensus Committee is an arm of HUD and was created by Congress in 2000 to make recommendations to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development regarding construction and safety standards as well as enforcement regulations in regard to manufactured housing.

Manufactured housing is built to HUD standards, and Nebraska has three manufactured housing factories: Champion Home Builders of York, Chief Industries' Bonnavilla Homes Division of Aurora, and Magnolia Homes of Gering. Nebraska additionally is home to a dozen modular housing factories that also are regulated by the Public Service Commission.